

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Christopher Robert COX et al.

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For: INTEGRATED PLASTICIZED CARD IN A PAPER CARRIER AND  
METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 23 as follows:

23. (amended) A method of forming a carrier sheet as claimed in claim 21, wherein there is further provided before step (i) inputting personalized data in a computer programmable unit whereby said step (i) comprises printing personalized information.

Please cancel claim 26 without prejudice or disclaimer.

**REMARKS**

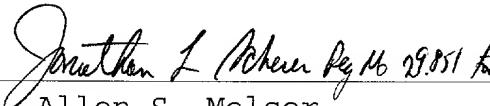
The foregoing Preliminary Amendment is requested in order to delete the multiple dependent claims and avoid paying the multiple dependent claims fee.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE.**"

Early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS

23. (amended) A method of forming a carrier sheet as claimed in claim 21 [claims 21 and 22], wherein there is further provided before step (i) inputting personalized data in a computer programmable unit whereby said step (i) comprises printing personalized information.